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SUBJ: REACTION TO MAYAGUEZ INCIDENT

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1. AT RECEPTION TO CELEBRATE 82TH ANNIVERSARY OF U.S. ARMED FORCES, THE AMBASSADOR IN HIS BRIEF REMARKS DEVELOPED THE THEME INDICATED BY PRESIDENT FORD AND SECRETARY KISSINGER "THE U.S. IS LOOKING TO THE FUTURE RATHER THAN THE PAST" AND "EXPERIENCE MAKES US MORE MATURE IN THE COMMITMENTS WE UNDERTAKE AND MORE DETERMINED TO MAINTAIN THOSE WE HAVE." ALTHOUGH THE AMBASSADOR MADE NO REFERENCE TO THE SUCCESSFUL RECOVERY OF THE MAYAGUEZ AND CREW, MANY EXTREMELY FAVORABLE COMPLIMENTS WERE RECEIVED BY THE AMBASSADOR AND OTHER EMBASSY OFFICERS ON THE FRIM AND POSITIVE ACTION TAKEN BY THE U.S. AND THE INTERNATIONAL PRESTIGE THE U.S. HAD GAINED AS A RESULT OF THIS ACTION. SUCH POSITIVE REACTIONS CONTINUE TO COME NOT ONLY FROM THE MILITARY BUT FROM CIVILIANS AS WELL. THE FEW NEGATIVE COMMENTS RECEIVED HAVE COME FROM THOSE WHO MISTAKENLY BELIEVED THAT MAYAGUEZ WAS CAPTURED IN CAMBODIAN TERRITORIAL WATERS AND THEREFORE SUBJECT TO LOCAL JURISDICTION.

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2. TODAY THE AMBASSADOR LUNCHEDED WITH THE ACTING FOREIGN

MINISTER, RICARDO CASTANEDA. MR. CASTANEDA HAS BEEN VISITING THAILAND WHEN THE U.S. WITHDREW FROM SOUTH VIETNAM. THE MINISTER FELT THAT THE U.S. HAD REGAINED LATIN AMERICAN AND INTERNATIONAL CONFIDENCE AND PRESTIGE BY TAKING PROMPT AND FIRM ACTION TO RECOVER THE MAYAGUEZ. CAMPBELL

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